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MEMO FOR: Record

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SUBJECT: Complete Star Gate Transfer Chronology

- Jan: Preliminary planning meetings by CIA senior management in response to Congressionally Directed Action (CDA) to ttransfer Star Gate Program.
- D/ORD Appointed program manager at CIA/ORD
- Contacted Office of Military Affairs to coordinate meetings with DIA and US Army (in anticipation of Star Gate review)
- Feb-Mar: Informal discussions with US Army Research Institute (ARI) and National Research Council (NRC) about potential CIA paranormal study request
- Feb-Apr: Archiving initiated of all DIA and CIA files relating to paranormal studies going back 20 years
- 21 Feb: Formal memo sent from ORD to DIA requesting their assistance with declassification to facilitate execution of the CDA
- Feb: Met with Center for Studies on Intelligence (CSI) to discuss potential strategies for declassification
- 28 Feb: CIA met with DIA principal investigator at SAIC, Dr. Ed May. All-day technical exchange.
- 1 Mar: CIA and Representative from Office of Military Affairs make site visit to Ft. Meade to meet all program personnel and discuss transfer. All-day technical exchange.
- 15 Mar: After informal discussions with NRC, panel member selection begins: Jessica Utts, John Palmer, James Alcock, and Ray Hyman contacted by NRC and agree to act as commissioned reviewers
- 27 Mar:** Submitted a "Terms of Reference" in formal response to the Congressionally Directed Action stating NRC would perform unclassified retrospective, CIA would

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proceed with declassification, interim report on management strategy would be provided in July

Briefed Richard D'Amato at Hart Senate Office bldg. on status of transfer; obtained agreement on previously submitted Terms of Reference

- 28 Mar:** Formal meeting with NRC representatives and final drafting of Statement of Work for submission to Internal NRC Governing Board 16 May.
- 31 Mar Discussion with Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Privacy Act Coordinator concerning request on CIA paranormal studies. Response complicated by declassification efforts
- Mar-Apr: MOU executed between US Army and CIA, funds officially transferred to Pentagon
- Apr: Evaluation of customer feedback on Star Gate tasking begins at Ft. Meade
- 14 Apr: Official memo to CIA OGC asking them consider declassification issues and other questions concerning how to proceed on Star Gate transfer
- 2 May: Formal meeting with president and representatives of American Institutes of Research (AIR) to consider potential CIA study request
- 5 May: NRC formally rejects CIA study proposal citing prior definitive study. NRC stated unequivocally that "the case for remote viewing...is virtually nonexistent."**
- 10 May: DIA responds to request for assistance in declassification citing EO 12958 as controlling, declines any further DIA action
- 19 May: Meeting with CIA's OGC to discuss EO 12958, other declassification strategies and issues

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